

him to amendment No. 3466 proposed by Mr. HATFIELD to the bill H.R. 3019, supra; as follows:

At the end of the amendment add the following:

Subtitle B—Commission Restructuring the Circuits of the United States Courts of Appeals

SEC. 921. ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNCTIONS OF COMMISSION.

(a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—There is established a Commission on restructuring for the circuits of the United States Courts of Appeals which shall be known as the "Heflin Commission" (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission").

(b) **FUNCTIONS.**—The function of the Commission shall be to—

- (1) study the restructuring of the circuits of the United States Courts of Appeals; and
- (2) report to the President and the Congress on its findings.

SEC. 922. MEMBERSHIP.

(a) **COMPOSITION.**—The Commission shall be composed of twelve members appointed as follows:

- (1) Three members appointed by the President of the United States.
- (2) Three members appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate.
- (3) Three members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (4) Three members appointed by the Chief Justice of the United States.

(b) **CHAIR.**—The Commission shall elect a Chair and Vice Chair from among its members.

(c) **QUORUM.**—Seven members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum, but three may conduct hearings.

(d) **PERIOD OF APPOINTMENT; VACANCIES.**—Members shall be appointed for the life of the Commission. Any vacancy in the Commission shall not affect its powers, but shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

(e) **INITIAL MEETING.**—No later than 30 days after the date on which all members of the Commission have been appointed, the Commission shall hold its first meeting.

(f) **MEETINGS.**—The Commission shall meet at the call of the Chairman.

SEC. 923. POWERS OF THE COMMISSION.

(a) **HEARINGS.**—The Commission may hold such hearings, sit and act at such times and places, take such testimony, and receive such evidence as the Commission considers advisable to carry out the purposes of this subtitle.

(b) **INFORMATION FROM FEDERAL AGENCIES.**—The Commission may secure directly from any Federal department or agency such information as the Commission considers necessary to carry out the provisions of this subtitle. Upon request of the Chairman of the Commission, the head of such department or agency shall furnish such information to the Commission.

(c) **POSTAL SERVICES.**—The Commission may use the United States mails in the same manner and under the same conditions as other departments and agencies of the Federal Government.

(d) **GIFTS.**—The Commission may accept, use, and dispose of gifts or donations of services or property.

SEC. 924. COMMISSION PERSONNEL MATTERS.

(a) **COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS.**—Each member of the Commission who is not an officer or employee of the Federal Government shall be compensated at a rate equal to the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay prescribed for level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5, United States Code, for each day (including travel time) during which such member is engaged

in the performance of the duties of the Commission. All members of the Commission who are officers or employees of the United States shall serve without compensation in addition to that received for their services as officers or employees of the United States.

(b) **TRAVEL EXPENSES.**—The members of the Commission shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, at rates authorized for employees of agencies under subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, United States Code, while away from their homes or regular places of business in the performance of services for the Commission.

(c) **STAFF.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Chairman of the Commission may, without regard to the civil service laws and regulations, appoint and terminate an executive director and such other additional personnel as may be necessary to enable the Commission to perform its duties. The employment of an executive director shall be subject to confirmation by the Commission.

(2) **COMPENSATION.**—The Chairman of the Commission may fix the compensation of the executive director and other personnel without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5, United States Code, relating to classification of positions and General Schedule pay rates, except that the rate of pay for the executive director and other personnel may not exceed the rate payable for level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of such title.

(d) **DETAIL OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES.**—Any Federal Government employee may be detailed to the Commission without reimbursement, and such detail shall be without interruption or loss of civil service status or privilege.

(e) **PROCUREMENT OF TEMPORARY AND INTERMITTENT SERVICES.**—The Chairman of the Commission may procure temporary and intermittent services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code, at rates for individuals which do not exceed the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay prescribed for level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of such title.

SEC. 925. TERMINATION OF THE COMMISSION.

The Commission shall terminate 90 days after the date on which the Commission submits its final report.

SEC. 926. REPORT.

No later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this subtitle, the Commission shall submit a report to the President and the Congress which shall contain a detailed statement of the findings and conclusions of the Commission, together with its recommendations for such legislation and administrative actions as it considers appropriate.

SEC. 927. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated, beginning in fiscal year 1997, such sums as necessary to carry out the purposes of this subtitle.

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Rules and Administration will meet in SR-301, Russell Senate Office Building, on Wednesday, March 20, 1996, at 9:30 a.m., to hold an oversight hearing on the Congressional Research Service.

For further information concerning this hearing, please contact Ed Edens of the committee staff on 224-6678.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the public that the hearing scheduled before the full Committee on Energy and Natural Resources to receive testimony regarding S. 1605, a bill to amend and extend certain authorities in the Energy Policy and Conservation Act which either have expired or will expire June 30, 1996, on Thursday, March 21, 1996, has been canceled.

A new date and time for the hearing will be announced.

For further information, please call Karen Hunsicker or Betty Nevitt at (202) 224-0765.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Governmental Affairs, will hold hearings regarding the Global Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction, part II.

This hearing will take place on Wednesday, March 27, 1996, in room 342 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. For further information, please contact Daniel S. Gelber of the subcommittee staff at 224-9157.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEE TO MEET

SUBCOMMITTEE ON POST OFFICE AND CIVIL SERVICE

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Post Office and Civil Service, Committee on Governmental Affairs, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Monday, March 18, 1996, to review U.S. postal reform.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

CBO ANALYSIS OF UNFUNDED MANDATES

• Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, pursuant to Public Law 104-4, I am submitting for the information of the Senate a CBO analysis of unfunded mandates of bills reported by the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee currently on the Senate Calendar. As further information is available, it will also be provided to the Senate. The analysis follows:

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, March 15, 1996.

Hon. FRANK MURKOWSKI,
Chairman, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: In previous correspondence dated February 8, 1996, regarding The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Public law 104-4), the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) included two lists of the legislation on the calendar as of January 23, 1996. The lists assessed intergovernmental